therein and their respective percentages under the Ministry of SSI, & its PSUs/Autonomous Bodies are given below:-

Sl. No.	Name of the Organi-sation	Category of posts	Total No. of Posts filled	SCs		STs		OBCs		GEN	
				No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
1	Ministry of SSI	Class I	311	55	17.68	16	5.14	7	2.25	233	74.91
		Class II	516	87	16.86	26	5.03	29	5.62	374	72.48
2	PSU	Class I	357	59	16.52	9	2.52	20	5.60	269	75.35
		Class II	210	41	19.52	6	2.86	25	11.90	138	65.57
3	Autono-mous Bodies	Class I	230	24	10.43	4	1.73	23	10.00	179	77.82
		Class II	211	38	18.00	1	0.47	30	14.21	142	67.29

Promotion of SSIs In Rural Areas

1960. SHRI DARA SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government for promoting small scale industries in the rural areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (d) Promotion of Small Scale Industries has been one of the conscious policies of the Government. Special thrust is given for rural areas through the schemes like the Integrated Infrastructural Development Scheme and the National programme on Rural Industrialization.